

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 17, 2006

SENATE BILL

No. 1662

Introduced by Senator Lowenthal

February 24, 2006

An act to amend ~~Sections 2920 and 2933 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to psychologists. Section 44253.3 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1662, as amended, Lowenthal. ~~Board of Psychology. Teachers: limited-English-proficient certificate requirements.~~

Existing law authorizes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to issue a multiple or single subject teaching credential to applicants who complete the requirements for that credential. Under existing law, a clear multiple or single subject teaching credential issued on or after September 1, 1985, is valid for the life of the holder if the holder completes, at 5-year intervals, a 150-hour individual program of professional growth, and for all other clear multiple or single subject teaching credentials, for the life of the holder.

Existing law authorizes the commission to issue a certificate that authorizes the holder to provide certain services to limited-English-proficient pupils, if the applicant for the certificate meets certain minimum requirements, including possession of certain prerequisite credentials or permits, passage of certain knowledge and skill examinations, and completion of specified coursework in a second language.

This bill would authorize a teacher holding a clear multiple or single subject teaching credential issued for the life of the holder to provide instruction to limited-English-proficient pupils without

possessing the specified certificate or meeting the minimum requirements otherwise required to possess it.

~~Existing law, the Psychology Licensing Law, makes the Board of Psychology responsible for enforcing and administering that law and authorizes it to employ all personnel necessary to perform its function. Under existing law, these provisions become inoperative on July 1, 2008, and are repealed on January 1, 2009.~~

~~This bill would extend the operation of these provisions to July 1, 2013, and would repeal them on January 1, 2014, unless a later enacted statute deletes or extends those dates.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~yes~~*no*. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 44253.3 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 44253.3. (a) The commission shall issue a certificate that
4 authorizes the holder to provide all of the following services to
5 limited-English-proficient pupils:
6 (1) Instruction for English language development in preschool,
7 kindergarten, grades 1 to 12, inclusive, and classes organized
8 primarily for adults, except when the requirement specified in
9 paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) ~~of Section 44253.3~~ is satisfied
10 by the possession of a children's center instructional permit
11 pursuant to Sections 8363 and 44252.7, a children's center
12 supervision permit pursuant to Section 8363, or a designated
13 subjects teaching credential in adult education pursuant to
14 Section 44260.2. If the requirement specified in paragraph (1) of
15 subdivision (b) ~~of Section 44253.3~~ is satisfied by the possession
16 of a children's center instructional permit, or a children's center
17 supervision permit, then instruction for English language
18 development shall be limited to the programs authorized by that
19 permit. If the requirement specified in paragraph (1) of
20 subdivision (b) ~~of Section 44253.3~~ is satisfied by the possession
21 of a designated subjects teaching credential in adult education,
22 then instruction for English language development shall be
23 limited to classes organized primarily for adults.
24 (2) Specially designed content instruction delivered in English
25 in the subjects and at the levels authorized by the ~~teacher's~~

prerequisite credential or permit *of the teacher* used to satisfy the requirement specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) ~~of Section 44253.3.~~

(b) The minimum requirements for the certificate shall include all of the following:

(1) Possession of a valid California teaching credential, services credential, children's center instructional permit, or children's center supervision permit which credential or permit authorizes the holder to provide instruction to pupils in preschool, kindergarten, any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or classes primarily organized for adults, except for the following:

(A) Emergency credentials or permits.

(B) Exchange credentials as specified in Section 44333.

(C) District intern ~~certificates~~ *credentials* as specified in Section 44325.

(D) Sojourn certificated employee credentials as specified in Section 44856.

(E) Teacher education internship credentials as specified in Article 3 (commencing with Section 44450) of Chapter 3.

(2) Passage of one or more examinations that the commission determines are necessary for demonstrating the knowledge and skills required for effective delivery of the services authorized by the certificate.

(3) Completion of at least six semester units, or nine quarter units, of coursework in a second language at a regionally accredited institution of postsecondary education. The commission shall establish minimum standards for scholarship in the required coursework. The commission shall also establish alternative ways in which the requirement can be satisfied by language-learning experience that creates an awareness of the challenges of second-language acquisition and development.

~~(e)~~

(4) Completion of coursework in human relations in accordance with the ~~commission's~~ standards of program quality and effectiveness *of the commission* that includes, at minimum, instruction in the following:

~~(1)~~

(A) The nature and content of culture.

~~(2)~~

(B) Cross cultural contact and interactions.

1 ~~(3)~~

2 (C) Cultural diversity in the United States and California.

3 ~~(4)~~

4 (D) Providing instruction responsive to the diversity of the
5 student population.

6 ~~(5)~~

7 (E) Recognizing and responding to behavior related to bias
8 based on race, color, religion, nationality, country of origin,
9 ancestry, gender, disability, or sexual orientation.

10 ~~(6)~~

11 (F) Techniques for the peaceful resolution of conflict.

12 ~~(d)~~

13 (c) The commission shall establish alternative requirements
14 for a teacher to earn the certificate, which shall be awarded as a
15 supplementary authorization pursuant to subdivision (e) of
16 Section 44225.

17 ~~(e)~~

18 (d) The certificate shall remain valid as long as the
19 prerequisite credential or permit specified in paragraph (1) of
20 subdivision (b) of Section 44253.3 remains valid.

21 ~~(e) A teacher holding a clear multiple or single subject~~
22 ~~teaching credential issued for the life of the holder may provide~~
23 ~~the instruction specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision~~
24 ~~(a) without meeting the requirements specified in subdivisions~~
25 ~~(b), (c), and (d) or possessing a certificate issued pursuant to this~~
26 ~~section.~~

27 ~~SECTION 1. Section 2920 of the Business and Professions~~
28 ~~Code is amended to read:~~

29 ~~2920. The Board of Psychology shall enforce and administer~~
30 ~~this chapter. The board shall consist of nine members, four of~~
31 ~~whom shall be public members.~~

32 ~~This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2013, and, as~~
33 ~~of January 1, 2014, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,~~
34 ~~which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2014, deletes or~~
35 ~~extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is~~
36 ~~repealed.~~

37 ~~SEC. 2. Section 2933 of the Business and Professions Code is~~
38 ~~amended to read:~~

39 ~~2933. Except as provided by Section 159.5, the board shall~~
40 ~~employ and shall make available to the board within the limits of~~

1 ~~the funds received by the board all personnel necessary to carry~~
2 ~~out this chapter. The board may employ, exempt from the State~~
3 ~~Civil Service Act, an executive officer to the Board of~~
4 ~~Psychology. The board shall make all expenditures to carry out~~
5 ~~this chapter. The board may accept contributions to effectuate the~~
6 ~~purposes of this chapter.~~

7 ~~This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2013, and, as~~
8 ~~of January 1, 2014, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,~~
9 ~~which becomes effective on or before January 1, 2014, deletes or~~
10 ~~extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is~~
11 ~~repealed.~~